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SUBJECT: VIETNAMESE REFUGEES RESCUED BY NORWEGIAN VESSEL

REF: OSAKA KOBE 0885

1. IN ADDITION TO THE ELEVEN VIETNAMESE REFUGEES MENTIONED IN REFTEL, NINETEEN MORE ARRIVED LAST WEEKEND ON BOARD NORWEGIAN FREIGHTER HAILEE WHICH PICKED THEM UP IN THE GULF OF SIAM ADRIFT IN SMALL BOAT. AS IN THE CASE OF THOSE OF THE LIBERIAN SHIP WHICH ARRIVED IN MIZUSHIMA PORT, GOJ AUTHORITIES ALLOWED SECOND GROUP TO ENTER ON THIRTY DAY LANDING PERMITS AND IMMEDIATELY CONTACTED UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE SAITO WHO HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEM TO BE ACCEPTED BY THE CATHOLIC PRIESTS CONFERENCE IN JAPAN AND TO STAY AT YUKINOSHITA CHURCH IN KAMAKURA, NEAR TOKYO. EMB OFFICERS WILL INTERVIEW AND REPORT FURTHER IN NEXT FEW DAYS IN ACCORDANCE WITH LATEST GUIDELINES FROM DEPT.

2. COMMENT: THE GOJ DECISION TO PROMPTLY PERMIT THE LANDING OF THESE LATEST GROUPS OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES AND IMMEDIATE REFERRAL TO UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE IS A UNCLASSIFIED

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WELCOME NEW DEVELOPMENT. HERETOFORE GOJ HAS FIRST SOUGHT

OUT AND RELIED ONLY ON U.S. PRIOR TO GRANTING LANDING
PERMITS AND ONLY AFTER SOME DELAY.
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